IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 29, with the following rewritten paragraph:

A chair of the type described is known for example from EP 0308538 A. In the case of this known chair, the cardanic mounting is achieved by the backrest having a spherical segment-shaped formation, which is mounted in a second spherical segment-shaped formation on the backrest support. The eentre center point about which the backrest can move lies on the surface of the padding. Laterally and above and below the cardanic joint, spring elements are provided between the backrest and the backrest support, for example elastic polyester elements, which exert spring forces both perpendicularly and parallel to the surface of the backrest.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Finally, US 5,810,438 A also discloses a chair, in which the back part, the seat part and the two armrests are interconnected in one piece. Provided as an option between the seat and the backrest is a spring part, which is likewise connected in one piece to the seat and backrest. The known chair is an injection moulding molding and is produced by the gas injection technique (GIT).

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 9, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The essence of the invention is the idea of connecting the frame to the backrest support in one piece, that is of making the frame and the backrest support as a one-piece component, the two legs of the backrest support running together in a connecting piece, and the connecting piece running smoothly and uninterruptedly into the lower cross-piece of the

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fibre-reinforced glass-fiber-reinforced polyamide resin, preferably a polyarylamide, and is produced by the gas injection technique (GIT), allowing largely hollow individual parts to be produced. The construction according to the invention achieves the effect that the backrest on the one hand allows the membrane to develop optimal supporting forces for the user's back, but on the other hand brings about a cardanic-elastic connection between the backrest and the backrest support in an elegant and technically low-cost way.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Also provided are strip-shaped holders 16, 17, which are moulded molded on the side parts 2, 3 and into which a band can be clipped as a special lordosis support.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The plastic mouldings moldings of the backrest are largely hollow. Only in the middle part of the upper cross-piece 5 and in the lower parts of the two legs 7, 8 of the backrest support 6 is the moulding molding compound compact. This is expedient to allow the screws for the fittings 11, 12 and 13 to have a firm hold.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

By contrast with the backrest known from DE 100 48 779 Al, in the case of the backrest according to the invention that is described here the leaning force produced by the user is absorbed not only by the backrest frame but also by the backrest support that is moulded molded on in one piece. This increases the dorsokinetic supporting function of the backrest in an advantageous way.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 15, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The polymer compound used is a glass-fibre-reinforced glass-fiber-reinforced thermoplastic resin based on polyarylamide, preferably the material sold by the company Solvay S.A. under the name IXEF 1022 or 1032.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 19, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The mouldings moldings are produced by the gas injection technique (GIT), the molten moulding molding compound being forced onto the mould mold wall by an inert gas, preferably nitrogen, injected under high pressure into the cavity of the injection mould mold.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 24, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The production of the backrest together with the moulded-on molded-on backrest support by means of the injection-moulding molding technique described is obviously of inestimable value in the production of large numbers of units with regard to the production and assembly complexity. As the exemplary embodiment discussed convincingly shows, the backrest according to the invention has all the advantages required by the object: it brings about outstanding sitting comfort by optimum support of the back, can be produced, transported and assembled with considerably reduced complexity in comparison with the prior art, and from the aspect of industrial design offers a high level of aesthetics and distinctiveness of form.

Please delete page 8, lines 1-28 in its entirety.

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Please rewrite the Abstract on page 11 as follows: